

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF ARANSAS §
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CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 3rd day of October, 2011 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT: Tommy Knight Mayor
Phillip Hyatt Mayor Pro Tempore
James A. Mills Council Member
Ross McElwee Council Member
Vickie Abrego Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL PRESENT: Allen Lawrence City Attorney
Reggie Winters City Manager
Yvonne Stonebraker City Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Donna Cox Municipal Court Judge
Bill Haines Assistant Police Chief
Rickie Kilgore Fire Chief

OTHERS PRESENT: David Underbrink, Donald & Jeanie Brummett, Phil & Nell Reynolds, Arnulfo & Olivia Torres, Ed & Ellie Block, Mike & Jan Moore, Jim & Alpha Covington, Brenda Mack, Katie Roberts, Grant Erickson, Ann Melton, Mary Ann Geer, Janet White, Juanita Davidson, R. Lindley, Jack & Sally Edsill, Angus & Christi Mathews, Randy & Jeanne Hunter, Rosemary Vega and Patsy Lawrence.

There may have been others present who did not sign in.

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. on October 3, 2011.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.**

Council Member Abrego gave the invocation. Mayor Knight led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
- 3. CONSIDER AND ACT ON MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2011.**

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve the minutes of September 19, 2011 with corrections. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- 4. POWERPOINT PRESENTATION BY JENNIFER THOMAS OF SLOWRIDE GUIDE SERVICE.**

Ms. Jennifer Thomas of Slowride Guide Service was not in attendance to present her powerpoint presentation.
- 5. UPDATE BY DAVE SULLIVAN WITH NAISMITH ENGINEERING ON THE BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT.**

Mr. Dave Sullivan with Naismith Engineering stated the only updates he needed to make with the City Council on the Boating Infrastructure Grant would be the relocation of the docks and advertising for the transit docks (which both items were on the agenda separately).

8. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING WET SLIP MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL BY REDFISH BAY BOATHOUSE.

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve the Wet Slip Management proposal by Redfish Bay Boat House. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried with Council Member Abrego voting no.

6. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING RELOCATION OF DOCKS FOR THE BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT.

Mayor Knight stated the original Boating Infrastructure Grant docks were going to be placed at Lots 1-7, Block 6, Section 1, Huff Street on Conn Brown Harbor (also known as city docks). He stated the City would have to build amenities, hire security, etc... He stated relocating the Boating Infrastructure Grant docks in front of Redfish Bay Boat House, Redfish Bay Boat House would furnish amenities (bathrooms and showers), provide security, hire someone to run/maintain the docks, provide insurance and Workman's Comp Insurance.

Council Member McElwee stated in the near future, Redfish Bay Boat House would have a restaurant. He asked Mr. Moore if there would be dockage space for vessels to dock, eat at the restaurant and leave without staying overnight and paying the docking fee.

Mr. Moore stated yes. He stated Redfish Bay Boat House had a one hundred and fifty foot staging dock where the locals could dock, eat at the restaurant and leave.

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve the relocation of the docks for the Boating Infrastructure Grant. Council Member McElwee seconded the motion and the motion carried with Council Member Abrego and Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt voting no.

7. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS TO BUILD THE BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT "TRANSIT DOCKS" AT CONN BROWN HARBOR.

Council Member McElwee made a motion to approve City Manager advertising for proposals to build the Boating Infrastructure Grant "transit docks" at Conn Brown Harbor. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING BID FOR OLD DOCK REMOVAL IN CONN BROWN HARBOR.

City Manager Winters stated the City had received 3 bids for old dock removal in Conn Brown Harbor. He stated Dock Express, Inc bid a total of \$21,900.00, Underwater Services, Inc bid \$4,535.00 per eight (8) hour daily rate (with no time frame), and E & J bid \$5,800.00 per eight (8) hour daily rate (with no time frame).

Mr. Mike Moore spoke in favor of Dock Express, Inc. He stated the docks would be cut off at the mud line, lifted out of the water, dismantled and placed on city property across the street from Redfish Bay Boat House. He stated he didn't know how long it would take for the job to be completed.

Council Member Abrego made a motion to approve the Dock Express, Inc. bid for old dock removal in Conn Brown Harbor for a total of \$21,900.00. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried with Council Member McElwee voting no.

10. REVIEW AND DISCUSS GOLF CARTS BEING USED ON ARANSAS PASS CITY STREETS.

Mayor Knight stated he had read golf cart ordinances from Rockport, Port Aransas and Galveston. He stated having golf carts in Aransas Pass would be a good idea for boaters using the docks in Conn Brown Harbor. He stated boaters could use the carts for shopping and visiting local restaurants in downtown Aransas Pass. He stated golf carts could be driven on city streets but could not be driven down a state maintained highway but could cross over a state maintained highway. He stated the golf carts could not be driven on any city street where the speed limit was over 35 miles per hour (mph).

11. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 2011-661 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED SIGNATORS FOR ITS 2011 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROGRAM CONTRACT 711152.**

Mayor Knight stated the Resolution pertained to the Texas Department of Agriculture sewer line project for Aransas Autoplex car dealership.

Council Member McElwee made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2011-661 – A Resolution of the City of Aransas Pass, Texas authorizing designated signators for its 2011 Texas Department of Agriculture Program Contract 711152 (new sewer system for Aransas Autoplex). Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS.**

Mr. Angus Mathews spoke in favor of allowing golf carts being used on city streets.

Ms. Ann Melton praised Mr. Grant Erickson and the Redfish Bay Boat House.

13. **RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND RETIRE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551 OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.**

Mayor Knight recessed the Regular Meeting at 8:08 P.M.

A. **SECTION 551.074 – PERSONNEL MATTERS – MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – C DONNA COX**

B. **SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR**

14. **RECONVENE IN REGULAR MEETING AND CONSIDER AND ACT ON FINDINGS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

Mayor Knight reconvened the Regular Meeting at 9:05: P.M.

A. **SECTION 551.074 – PERSONNEL MATTERS – MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – C DONNA COX**

Council Member Abrego made a motion to approve the Municipal Court Judge/Deputy Court Clerk position as a full time position. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

B. **SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR**

No action taken.

15. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.**

Council Member Mills made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Knight adjourned the meeting at 9:06 PM.

Tommy Knight, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary